

REMARKS

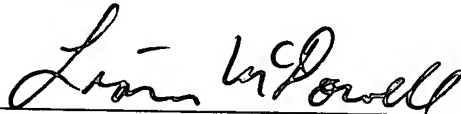
The specification has been amended consistent with the AMENDED SHEETS submitted on March 8, 2002, taking into account the Examiner's comments on page 2 of the Official Action.

Claims 1-14 are present in the application. Applicants would like to thank the Examiner for indicating that claims 1-3, 5-8 and 10-14 are allowed and that claims 4 and 9 are allowable. In reliance thereon, claims 4 and 9 are amended to address the 35 USC §112, second paragraph rejections noted in the Official Action. In addition, claims 1, 10 and 14 are amended to incorporate the suggestions noted in the Official Action.

Since the claims are indicated as allowable and since all formal matters are believed addressed, the application is believed in condition for allowance. A notification of allowance is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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